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**ESTIMATED U.S. LIVE POULTRY SLAUGHTER UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION
FOR WEEK ENDING 26-May-07 (THOUSAND HEAD)**

	CURRENT WEEK 05/26/07	PREVIOUS WEEK 05/19/07
Broiler/fryer	168,663	166,072
Light hens	1,217	1,185
Heavy hens	1,521	1,494

U.S. FOWL SLAUGHTERED IN CANADA

	WEEK ENDING 19-May-07 (THOUSAND HEAD)		
	LIGHT HENS	HEAVY HENS	TOTAL
Head	358	0	358
Head sltr Comparisons			
Last Week	293	0	293
Same week yr ago	130	3	133
To-date/2007	4,644	14	4,658
To-date/2006	4,589	13	4,602

SOURCE: AGRICULTURE CANADA, POULTRY DEVELOPMENT DIVISION

Total U. S. fowl slaughter in the U. S. and Canada

	LIGHT HENS	HEAVY HENS	TOTAL
Head	1,443	1,532	2,975
Head sltr Comparisons			
Last Week	1,319	1,604	2,923
Same week yr ago	1,341	1,638	2,979
To-date/2007	26,954	27,477	54,431
To-date/2006	28,431	29,065	57,496

**LIVE POULTRY SLAUGHTERED UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION
WEEK ENDING 19-May-07 (THOUSAND HEAD)**

	YOUNG CHICKENS	LIGHT HENS	HEAVY HENS	TOTAL HENS
Head	164,484	1,085	1,532	2,617
Avg Wt	5.37	3.21	8.04	6.04
Head sltr comparisons				
Last week	161,829	1,026	1,604	2,630
Same wk yr ago	167,283	1,211	1,635	2,846
Avg Wt	5.42	3.30	8.04	6.02
To-date/2007	3,159,621	22,310	27,463	49,773
To-date/2006	3,222,472	23,842	29,052	52,894

(A) The estimated number of fryers available for marketing based 165.8 million head. Estimated U.S. slaughter for this period was 166.5 million head, or 0.7 million more than estimated available.

YOUNG CHICKENS SLAUGHTERED UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION,
CLASSIFIED BY LIVE WEIGHT, WEEK ENDING 19-May-07

	(A) 4.25 lbs & down	(B) 4.26 - 6.25 lbs	(C) 6.26 - 7.75 lbs	(D) 7.76 lbs & up	Total
Head	48,397	76,832	28,967	10,288	164,484
Avg Live Wgt	3.69	5.43	6.95	8.39	5.37
% of total /1	29%	47%	18%	6%	100%
Last week	43,056	78,202	28,480	12,091	161,829
Avg Live Wgt	3.84	5.42	6.95	8.41	5.49
% of total /1	27%	48%	18%	7%	100%
Year Ago 2/	44,464	87,597	18,855	16,367	167,283
Avg Live Wgt	3.83	5.38	6.91	8.23	5.42
% of total /1	27%	52%	11%	10%	100%
To date/2007	854,555	1,602,355	465,415	235,296	3,159,621
To date/2006	934,906	1,540,609	460,012	286,945	3,222,472

/1 May not total to 100% due to rounding.

/2 Comparable week.

Weight Class Description:

- (A) This size product is normally marketed bone-in into fast food and food service sectors and may include Cornish hens.
- (B) This size product is normally marketed into the retail grocery sector in tray pack or bagged forms.
- (C) This size product is normally marketed either into the retail grocery sector in tray pack and IQF form or is further processed and marketed into various sectors.
- (D) This size product is normally marketed deboned or as roasters or roasting chicken.

LIVE TURKEYS SLAUGHTERED WEEK ENDING 19-May-07
(THOUSAND HEAD)

	YOUNG (B)		YOUNG	OLD	TOTAL
	HENS	TOMS	BREEDERS	BREEDERS	
Head	2,103	2,699	17	4	4,823
Avg Wt	16.61	37.80	25.07	32.79	28.51
Head sltr comparisons					
Last week	1,834	2,790	12	1	4,637
Same wk yr ago	2,099	2,634	10	2	4,745
Avg Wt	16.74	38.58	24.95	56.82	28.90
To-date/2007	37,308	50,844	283	90	88,525
To-date/2006	37,399	49,423	452	111	87,385

SOURCE: USDA/AMS POULTRY PROGRAMS, MARKET NEWS BRANCH.
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